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lines. And that's the way about 12 or 13 years ago every farmer or landowner had a choice as to what school district they wanted their farm property in. This is good public policy. I live in a Class I school system and I think it's good public policy and we should support it. Senator Tyson was right this time.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Raikes.

SENATOR RAIKES: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. going to just expand a little bit on a point that Senator Schrock brought up. If you move property tax resources out of equalized districts and into a nonequalized district, in effect what you're doing is providing more resources in a district that has more resources than needs, as indicated in the state aid formula. And so the difference has to be made up by additional So what you're doing is, in effect, transferring a state aid. burden to state aid, to additional state aid, in support of I think what Senator Schrock has correctly described as a levy shopping exercise. This is, again, consistent with the notion that you have broad, local support for the public schools in the Again, I support the Tyson amendment that is part of LB 460 and I urge you to do so also. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Robak.

SENATOR ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wish Senator Tyson was here right now so I could ask him a question because when District 97...should District 97 merge with another Class I, the affiliation of the subjects of the petition shall continue. Well, they did dissolve...District 97 did dissolve and some people had the option of putting their land where they chose to put their land and some did not act quickly enough. So if this is passed into law, then it will be unfair to certain people and disadvantageous to say the least when...and I wish he was here to tell me because he did it for his...I believe he introduced this bill for his school of Madison, which is in his district, but yet it hurts some of my people in my district. So I don't think it's fair; I don't think it's the right way to do. I think Senator Tyson was wrong. And Senator Dierks, I do remember this on the floor and I was present and not voting. I was one of 15 members present and not voting. I think is was